

REMARKS

In order to advance prosecution and overcome the Examiner's objections, Applicants submit the corrected "Amendment to the Claims" section wherein Applicants include the listing of all claims, including the withdrawn claims.

Status of the Claims and Formal Matters

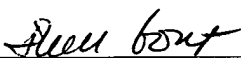
Claims 8-15 and 16-27 are pending in the present application. In view of the corrections submitted in Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the listing of claims now include the text of all pending claims, including withdrawn claims. Support for the new claims, 16-27 may be found *inter alia* at page 1, lines 15-27, page 5, lines 1-3, page 1, lines 6-10, page 6, lines 20 and 21, page 1, lines 14 and 15, page 7, lines 12-19, page 7, lines 5-6, page 12, lines 15-16, page 9, lines 11-12, page 22, lines 26-28, page 11, lines 19-20, page 11, lines 22-26 of the application as filed. Accordingly, Applicants submit that no new matter is introduced into the specification by way of the present amendments pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 132. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments, reconsideration of the rejections, and allowance of the pending claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due with the filing of this Amendment and Response. However, if any additional fees are required or if any funds are due, the USPTO is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account Number: **50-0311**, Customer Number: **35437**, Reference Number: **33694508001US**.

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